

The last terrible Tempestuous windes and weather.

Truely Relating many Lamentable Ship-wracks, with drowning
of many people, on the Coasts of England, Scotland, France and
Ireland: with the Iles of Wight, Garsey & Iarsey.

Shewing also, many great mis-fortunes, that haue lately hapned en Land, by
reason of the windes and rayne, in diuers places of this Kingdome.



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The History of the Empire of Germany.

Out windows and weep.

Truly reflecting many particulars of
Germany, on the Course of Europe, with
numerous cities, on the Course of Europe,
including: Antwerp, of Antwerp, Ghent & Flanders.

Showing all, with great exactness, the principal
towns of the Empire and the principal
cities of the Kingdom.

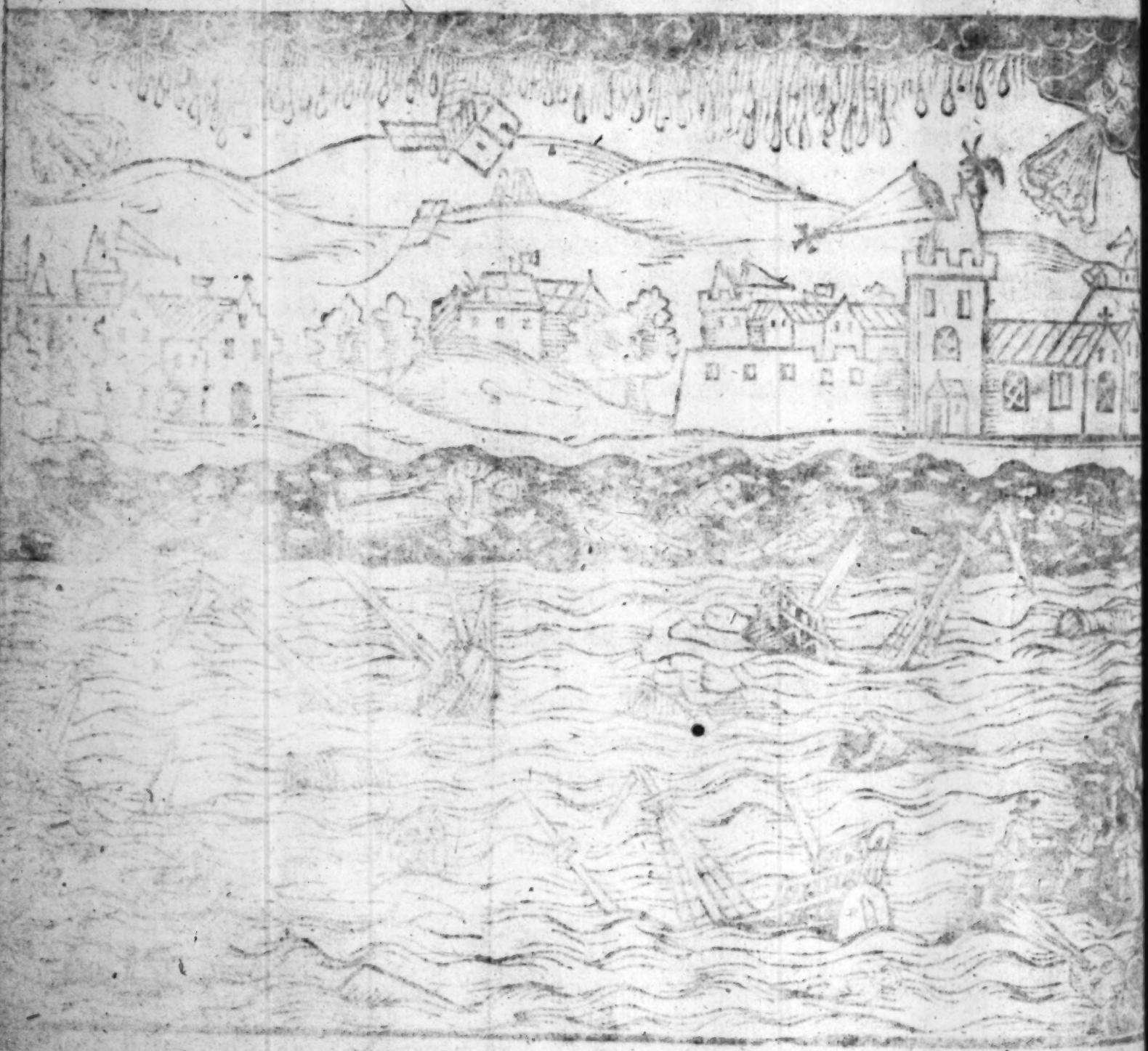
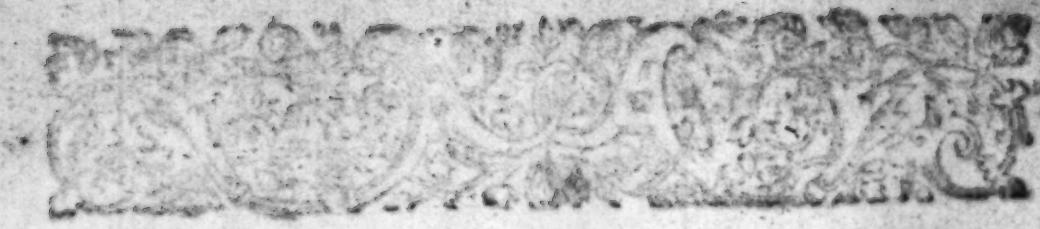


Illustration of a town of the Empire of Germany, with its principal cities.



To the Reader.

READER, I do here present vnto thee, & to thy vnderstanding (if thou haft any) some part of the lamentable losses, & vnrecouerable mischances that haue happened by occasion of these late blustering stormes of winde, and an innumerable deale of rayne, the which a great many thousands haue too true cause to beleue, because they are sharers in the misfortunes that this outragious weather hath caused. Now if thou haft sustained no losse thy selte, perhaps thou wilt not beleue these things to be true that I haue written: but if thou wilt or doest beleue, then pray to God that it will please him to giue them patience that are loosers, and humilitie that are winners, and giue God thankes that he hath so blest thee that thou haft no share in these mishaps. But if thou wilt not beleue, goe and looke, or else remaine still in thy vnbeleife.



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A BRIEFE RELATION
of the great losses both by Sea and on
Land, by reason of the late
great Tempests.

Such and so great is the innated hereditary perversenes of miserable mankinds naturall inclination, that though we infallibly know that God is infinite, and his waight past finding out: yea though wee generally confess him to bee the Mighty, Eternall, everlasting, inscrutable, incomprehensible Jehouah, in whose hands are all things past, present and future. Though (I say) we confess and profess an extermal beliefe that God can and will punish obstante and stiffe-necked sinners in the upp-

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rightnesse of his confounding Justice, yet
we presuming (because it is said his mer-
tie is ouer all his workes) so much vpon
his mercie, that we are altogether for-
getfull of his Justice; So that for all
notwithstanding our knowledge, our
confession and profession, wee live in A-
theisme, Epicurisme, and in so many sun-
dry sorts of hydra-headed scisme, that if it
be rightly understood we spend our
times in this unconscionable world little
better then in bruite Barbarisme: for
am verily perswaded that God had never
fettertren servants, nor more profa-
sons then are in these daies, and surely it
is to bee feared when God hath lefft the
Dyuel hath most. And wee are so lulled
and rockt astepe in the securerest cradle
of sensual securitey, by the (Princke of this
world) the Dyuell and his two neare
kinsmen the Worlde and the flesh, that
we (as it were) in spight of the Eternall
God, tread and trample his sacred lawes
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and sanctified Testimonies under our
prophane, unhallowed, & rebellious feet,
and with a high hand, and an aspiring
hart, with millions of varieties of trans-
gressions, we seem to batter the glorious
frame of heauen; with thundering shot
of our abhominable hell hatcht impie-
ties. These outragious Enormities da-
ily pronoking our most iust God to poure
forth the consuming trials of his incen-
sed hearie Indignation, upon all the
misgoverned sonnes of sinfull men. For
as God is infinite in his mercie, so is hee
infinite in his Justice; and as our trans-
gressions are numberles, so are the seve-
rall rods and punishments uncountable
that God vses to inflict upon vs, some-
times by weake meanes to accomplish
great things, and confound the mighty;
and sometimes by elementall causes, as
fire, aire, Water, and earth, hee shewes
his uniuersall power in his iust confoun-
ding offenders; and sometimes by vna-
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tryed infections of plagues and pesti-
lentious fevers, and many thousand mi-
serable maladies. And I thinke I need
not doubt but many ther be that knowes
and remembers the last mortality of this
land, when in one yeere there died, one
hundred and odde thousands in London.
And as concerning what hath happened
by fire, Saint Edmundsbury, and Tidetton
in Devonshire, and many other places in
England, to their great grieves too truely
can testifie, and what greeuous deluges,
what outragious inundations, what
unresistable overflowings of mercilesse
waters we haue had, nor man, nor histo-
rie recording the like (since the generall
flood,) wherein many hundreds of acres
of pasture and erable land, was (in little
space as it were) turnd into a maine Oce-
an, that the fishes (the inhabitants of
the sea) floating in their new made regi-
ments, did feede on the drowned carca-
ses of men, women, children, and beasts.

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we haue sterilitie and barrennesse of our
fertill mother earth we haue had,
through the anger of God, withhol-
ding the same, and chusing the win-
dowres of Heauen; (that the lentelesse
ground hath gaped to Heauen for relief.)
When wee our selues haue scarce opened
our mouthes to desire Gods fauour) it is
sufficiently knowne to alle states & ages.
What hutts, daulages, and inconuerable
losses and hinderances men haue sustai-
ned by tempestuous winds, both on land
and sea, where on the land, steebles, how-
ses, chunders, trees, and divers other
things that were for the necessarie use
of all sorts of people, hath beene bitter-
lie subuerted and thrallne dolnes, to
the bitter vexation of some, and to
the great impoerishing of manie. Be-
sides to leue the land, and to recapitu-
lat what great & manifold harmes hath
bin upon the sea, the oustaingous windes
making it altogether unmanigable.

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Of the which to write in every particulaſ
were a world of worke: but all these aſſoreſaid grievous calamities, we muſt all
confesse and acknowledg, to be the true
tokens that our merciſull God is high-
ly offendid with vs; and almost the third
part of the people in this kingdome, do
and wil ever remember ſome one or other
of theſe precedent afflictions, ſome by loſſe
of friends by death; and ſome by loſſe of
goods, by fier, water, or other meaneſ;
ſo that there is not, nor hath not beene,
(nor I doubt wil not be) any day, night,
houre, or minute, wherein God hath not
doth not, or wil not poure down his ven-
geance by one meaneſ or other, in one
place or another upon impenetrable but
repenting perfidious people.

But leauing this perambulation or te-
dious trauell to demonſtrate that which
hath been before diuulged to the publicke
view of the world, I doe now intend to
the other, good Reader (if thou beſt ſo)

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what incomparable hatnes, and never to be regained losse hath happened by occasion of these late tempestuous windes: and though I haue no knowledge of all the hurtts that are done, yet I know too much, and I wish with all my heart, that this whiche I meane to write were nothing but fiction, but yet assure thy selfe thou hadst better beleue me then to fraudell to disspose any (as the proverbe saies) for I by certeинe force haue the most part of what I write is true on mine owne knowledge, and the rest I haue gathered by relation from many husbands widowes, fathers, sonnes, and sonnes-fathers and mochters, masters, seruants, and masters that haue lost their seruants from many good and substantall Merchants, whose lamentable losses haue too much impoeredit their former estates, the unconsionable al-denowering Sea, being needlessly made rich, with their sometimes hopeful aduertures. But to the purpose.

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Some certain daies before Christmass
(by the outrageous blustering tempestu-
ous wind and weather;) a very faire
and tall ship, called the Mary of Albrogh,
comming from Burdeux with one hundred
and twenty tunnes of French wine, the
master Edmunds being master of her, was
by force of weather driven vpon the coast
of France, neere a place called Saint Johns,
not farre from the famous and ancient
City of Bullen, most miserably cast away,
Where was a great losse of ship & goodes;
but God bee praised all the men were sa-
ued except one.

About the same time there came a ship
of Dartmouth from Maricles, laden with
spoles, and rotten wools, which was vp-
on the same coast, and neere the same
place cast away, where the ship was torn
in pieces, & the goodes sunke in the sea;
but God in his mercy saued all the men
to doe their countrey more fortunate ser-
vice hereafter. (I hope) a ministrant
saying And

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¶ Another (or Christopher) being
called the Parrot, who had been be-
fore once this winter from Bude, and was
bound thither again, was cast away or
sunk further up of Thamess little below
Graueford, lat more a place called Shopp-
berie Nesse, the masters name of his was
John Loue, and yea also his standeth

¶ Another year ship of London called the
Hermes, of the burden of sevenscore tons
or thereabouts, being bound from Lon-
don into Cornwall for tin, the owner of her
being in her, whose name was master
Goodlad, a man sufficiently knowne for
his credit and sufficientie in Navigation,
and one Master Wolfe being with him
as master of the said ship, having certain
passengers abord with them; they were
all most miserably drowned in the brinish
waves of the neare seas, and the ship
beaten to peeces against the hard
imorteles rockes, where the wind & seas
did drue the lineles corse upon the sands

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Wherē as it is written in Prophecy, that a
woman, who birthed a young child, of
herē was delivered into the camp, whom
was taken up on the shore with her child
in her arms, for blinding the natural ita-
ting mother obit. She shewēd being dead
(as thought of man) a good pattern of af-
fectionate and motherly loue. . and so
Sir Hippo belonging to a towne in Cosen-
wall called Loo, of the hundred of the etcōze
town, laden with fish, was cast away
and sunk in the west part of England at
a place called Scilla, where there aboue
on the 29 of December last, as I heale
A little bark of Fawne bush of some fale
and threys yarē, was beaten on the helle of
Wight and cast away the same day also
sawd yest ; . with this good a ymple
And it is reported for certainty, that
upon all the shores and sea lands along
the coast of Rickard in France were Cal-
lēd, and so along towardes the latme
said place of Saint Iohn, were floate
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and verie many fowles immumerable myr-
titudes of which have beene observed some for
more, and some less, but it is credibly re-
ported that eleven of them were buoyned in
the leaden saltayre a mile or soe from
the Marroway the tide-boate belonging to
Greene Hich in Kent, was by force of weare
ther sunk, and the passengers moryed
and much goodes loste, on the 29e of No-
vember laste, to the value of 1000l. but
to speake of the harmes in particu-
lar that is done amongst poore men
in their boates and to hem selfe, the greatest
grave feare and dread in these parts is to be
peice of work, but this I know, that ma-
ny of them are much hindred by the losse
and fulcoring of their boates, and all of
them generally have had a reme-
dye of it then the great frost. In the same
I omit to speake in particular of divers
peissons that are reported to be sayre greede
preyed on the coasts of this kingdomme
indivisbles and sudden plagues all alonge
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the coasts of France into the Lower Countries, which is all Scotland, and the Isles adiacent: all which as soone as I can get true information by, I will cause to be published. Besides I speake not of innumerable damages, by the sinking of certaine cole-ships, being bound from Newcastle to London, upon which I will hereafter dravile. And now leaing the sea, let vs treat a little of the bad hachnes that are boare now of late by these great windes. At the old spannes of the Thames before London Bridge on Christmas day was the house of one Master Byt a tylde doer, violently blowne downe, and in the fall did breake the roofer and tiles of another house that was buit against it, and in the same parish in Battersea-phease ap-ley was a chymney blowne downe of the maner of Barns, which was downe the top of one Henry Goffons house a Schmider, and it fell with such a violence in the night.

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night, that it beat through the rooſe and a garret, and into a middle chamber; but God be praife it hurt no body.

In Byshopſgate ſtreete ouer againſt the Kings head, neere the gate, was the top of a bakers house blowne downe, his wife and he being in bed, and the maide beame of the house brake, and fell downe on the teſtor of their bed, and it did no more hurt, but ſcar them: beſides churches, houses, minſtrels, and ditties other buildings, ſome blowne downe, ſome much defaced, which wil not be repaireſd without exceeding charge.

And by reaſon of the great ſtore of raine, which hath falne the high-Waies are ſo overflowne, that in many places both horſe and men haue beeene forced to ſwimme in the very rōbe way, by which meanes the City of London cannot be ſerved with ſuch provision of victuals as diuers people were not to bring in out of the country.

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¶ Then let vs consider with our selves
in what dangerous estates we are in
when the Almighty is offended with vs;
and let vs turn to the Lord through har-
ty repentance, and earnest desire of a-
mendment; and then (no doubt but God
in his mercy will turne his fauourable
countenance towards vs. For it is never
too late to amend; and therefore in the
feare of the Lord, I let euerit one mend
one; and that the same may be accomplit-
shed, I hartely desire of God for Christ's
sake to give all true Christians upright
and new hearts; for Newyeeres gifts;
¶ so off this day and to allses ye day
after day and day and day and day
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These things heereafter following were related to me by Certaine Saylers and Countrey people, since the first were printed: and as for the truth of them I beleue them my selfe, but I haue no authority to inforce other mens faiths, and therefore I leaue them to censure as they please.

At two men were Riding out in the North Country together (being both brothers, which I know and can produce if need require) by a violent blast of Winde they Were ouerthrowne, and after they Were risen againe, (for the space of an houre) one of them Was striken blinde, but afterward his sight came to him againe.

At a place calld Layton in Kent (two or three miles from Greenwich) by a furious tempestuous storne of Winde and Weather,

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ther, a faire house of one Maister Winters
Was blowne downe, and in the fall, a
youth of the age of 15. yeares Was cri-
pled.

These and many other fearefull and
terrible iudgements God hath poured
downe upon vs, as Rods and scourges
for our obſtinate, wilfull, and rebellious
hūing: for we (like Dren or brute beaſts,
ſat our ſelues in ſinne againſt the day of
ſlaughter:) & (like foolish ſchoole-boyes)
neuer feare the Rod before we ſeele it:
let vs then conſider our owne miſerable
eſtates how we are altogether wicked,
and therfore iuſtly puniſhed by that God
who is altogether good, how though our
faultes be as countles as the ſands of
the ſea, or the Starres of Heauen, yet
God hath as many ſeuerall ſortes of
plagues as man hath Crimes to deſerue
them: but the Lord in the midſt of his
iudgements remembers mercy, or else
we ſhould all be confounded in his heauy
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displeasurē: and therefore let vs thank-
full y prayse God for his mercy, that we
are not cast headlong to the pitte of per-
petuall perdition, according to our de-
serts and merits. From the whiche, the
Lord God of his exceeding and super-
abounding mercy, for his deereley beloued
Sonne Iesus Christ's sake to deliuer
vs. To whome with the Father and the
holy Ghost, three distinct persons, and
one Eternall, invisible, infinite, and Im-
mortall God, be duely rendered (of men
and Angels) all honor, Glory, praise,
power, maiesty, might, and domini-
on, now and for euermore
Amen.

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